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TITLE OF INVENTION: DETERMINING BLOCKING MEASURES FOR PROCESSING COMMUNICATION TRAFFIC ANOMALIES

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### Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1, 3, 4 and 5 are allowed.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: claim 1 defines a method for processing communication traffic, whereby when an anomaly in communication traffic is detected, blocking measures are applied. The prior art discloses a similar invention; however the prior art does not disclose the feature of determining whether or not said anomaly reoccurs after said blocking measure A & !B had been temporarily removed; in response to a determination that said anomaly does not reoccur, canceling said blocking measure A & !B from being applied to said communication traffic and enforcing said blocking measure A & !B on said communication traffic; and in response to a determination that said anomaly reoccurs, reimposing said blocking measure A on said communication traffic. For these reasons, claim 1 and dependent claims 3, 4 and 5 are allowed.

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## Communications Inquiry

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jung W. Kim whose telephone number is 571-272-3804. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9:00-5:00.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gilberto Barron can be reached on 571-272-3799. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Jung Kim/ Primary Examiner, AU 2432